

REMARKS

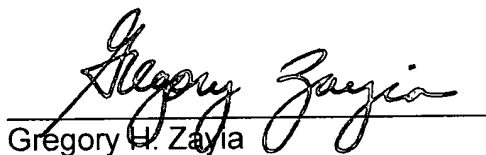
Applicants would like to thank Examiner White for the very courteous and helpful discussion held with their representative on June 29, 2006. During the discussion, the amendments introduced by the Examiner's Amendment dated July 13, 2006 were discussed and authorized by the undersigned.

The amendments to independent claim 38 in the present communication were made solely to correct slight grammatical errors introduced by the Examiner's Amendment. No new matter has been added.

The present Amendment is appropriate for entry under 37 CFR § 1.312 inasmuch as it corrects a purely formal matter and does not amend or alter the scope of the previously allowed claims.

In view of the Remarks set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified allowed patent application should proceed to issuance without delay. Early notification to such effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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